Mangifera pajang

Mangifera pajang, commonly known as **wild mango**, is a species of tree in the family Anacardiaceae. It is endemic to Borneo, where it is known by the various native names: *buah bambangan, buah mawang and buah embang*.[2]

Description

It is a tall tree, which can grow up to 15 to 50 meters (50-164 feet) tall. The leaves are simple, oblong shaped (28 – 45 centimeters long and 10-15 centimeters wide) with petioles that are 5-7 centimeters long. The tree is not grown commercially and can be found in the forests in Sabah and Sarawak, Malaysia.[3]

The flowers are elliptic-oblong and have 5 petals that are purplish-red on the inner surface and pinkish-white on the outside.

The fruit is a fleshly drupe of globose shape measuring 15–20 cm across and has a rough skin, which is 5-7 millimeters thick. The wild mango fruits are green when unripe and change to a brown color when ripe. The flesh is yellow, thick and very fibrous. Wild mango flesh is aromatic and tastes sweet and sour.[3] The peel is very tough and has a corrosive latex layer.[4] The latex is known to cause burns to lips and cause blisters.

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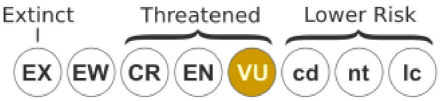
Conservation status



Vulnerable (IUCN 2.3)[1]

Scientific classification

Kingdom:	Plantae
Clade:	Tracheophytes
Clade:	Angiosperms
Clade:	Eudicots
Clade:	Rosids
Order:	Sapindales
Family:	Anacardiaceae
Genus:	*Mangifera*
Species:	***M. pajang***

Binomial name

Mangifera pajang
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